# ECHOES FROM THE LODGE ROOMS OF THE DISTRICT.

### MASONIC NOTES.

Mecca Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, New York city, has a membership exceeding 4,000, with \$13,537.80 in the hands of the treasurer, and other assets amounting to \$32.718.36. Mecca is the parent of all temples and was or-

ganized twenty-nine years ago.
"Masonic Tidings," published in Mil-wankee, Wis., has entered upon its seventeenth volume.

Grand Master Tennis, of Pennsylvanic Grand staster femals, of realisylvanic, is certainly a past master in the gentle art of "follying" the ladies. At a banquet in McKeesport, Pa., he told them that "the reason they were not taken into Fremasoary was because they are better than Masonry, and assured them that whenever Masonry shall have be-come better than pure womanhood the women will be asked to join it.

There is a mistaken idea among not a few people to the effect that a man is not much of a Mason who has only the first three degrees. So widespread is first three degrees. So widespread is this idea that a seeker after Masoni-degrees lumediately inquires about the cost of the higher degrees. It is not degrees that makes a Mason, and whether a man's Masonic pedigree is three or double three he will not be much of a Mason until he embodies in much of a Mason until he embodies in his heart and soul the principles of Freemasoury. There have been grand masters who had only three degrees. Many faithful and efficient officers in grand lodge have never risen above the first three degrees. Some of the grand-est Masonic characters I have ever known were Blue Lodge Masons only. As has been said heretofore in this column our higher degrees are just like the higher courses of instruction in our schools and colleges. There are men who make decided success in life who have no education beyond the common school. Therefore, let that Mason who has but three degrees be contented with his lot, remembering to act well his part, "for there all honor lies."—Illinois Freemason.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AFTER.

Herman H. Gerdes is a native of Ger many, and was initiated, passed, and raised in the early part of 1866 in Golden Wheel Lodge, F. and A. M., at Osnobrueck, Germany, a contingent lodge of the grand lodge "Three Globes," in Berlin, Germany. He translated the ritual of this jurisdiction into German and formed, with other brethren, Arminius Lodge, No. 25, of this city, working in the German language, and was its wor-shipful master in 1876 under dispensation, and by election in 1877, its first charter year. He served as secretary from 1884 to 1899, when twenty-five years after his first incumbency-he was again placed in the East at the urgent personal request of all the officers in line of promotion and by an almost unanimous yete of the membership. He a Ph. D. of a German university and translator of four languages in the

Agricultural Department.

Brother Gerdes is one of the most carnest and sturdiest of Masons in this

### THE THREE LINKS BASIS.

ple as broad as humanity itself. The that city, which was the place of resistrictest sense-"One touch of nature time of his death. Mr. Rathbone has makes the whole world kin." There is been dead about ten years. The great which binds every member in deeds of charity, and to a stranger in our midet sociability and good fellowship. These ties (known only to the initiate) are such as to awaken in us that which ther of his being as an ideal toward forms, and both shall are more lasting than earth itself. Odd ing that could justly be given, since the Fellows cherish those words above laws permit muster-in of divisions in

remote lands; that the right hand of it is rast approaching an excellent state fellowship will be extended by all of proficiency in drill. Thirty men are brethren wherever they may be. Its now uniformed and line up regularly, object is not to insure its members, but proud of their uniforms, proud of their is purely fraternal in all its teachings. and grasping, which are so common a named it, and proud of the Maccabers factor in the structure of the business Lieut, Guy E. Padgett, acting as deputy of our race, to lend a helping hand to is busy at work on two new divisions has dealt harshly, and encourages a cul-tivation of the true fraternal spirit which has been designed by God. In the subordinate lodge the principles taught seem to embrace almost everythin, great and good in man, and in the en-

WILLIAM P. ALLAN, Grand Representative, I. O. O. F.

# ODD FELLOW SECRETARIES.

The following list of secretaries of subordinate I. O. O. F. and Rebekah E. R. Pettengill:

Hughes, 315 B Street northeast

Eastern Lodge No. 7, Samuel E. Boyce, 1511 Gales Street northeast. Harmony Lodge No. 9, William P. Allan, 522 Sixth Street northeast.

Priendship Lodge No. 12, E. T. Pettengill, 363 New York Avenue. Covenant Lodge No. 13, Leo S. Scho-enthal, 2009 Third Street northwest. Beanon Lodge No. 15, Edward S. Bowman, 421 Seventh Street northeast.

Metropolis Lodge No. 16, W. P. Betts, 1332 Emerson Street northeast. monston, 926 T Street northwest.

Federal City Lodge No. 29, John T. Cam, 72 Q Street northwest. Burroughs, 515 Seventh Street southeast.

### THE RATHBONE DOWRY.

The coming convention of the Suat San Francisco will undoubtedly restore the pension or dowry long allowed the daughters of Justus H. Rathbone.

Anna M. Roberts, 512 Spruce Street northwest.

Ruth Lodge No. 2, Mrs. Henrietta Werner, 525 Seventh Street northwest.

Martha Washington Lodge No. 3, Miss Flora S. Johnson, 423 Fourth Street.

Dorcas Lodge No. 4, Mrs. Edward B. Russ, 215 F Street northeast.

Many of these secretaries have been in service a long number of terms, others are new beginners.

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SARA DWIGHT RATHBONE.

This dowry was paid regularly for a number of years, but, by some inadvertence, was omitted from the budget as made up at Detroit in 1960. The movement for the restoration of the dowry is in charge of Supreme Representatives (George W. Houles and with your tell avidegates. down is in charge of Supreme Representatives George W. Heisley and John C. Yost, of this city. The support of the premium of t support. The dowry is not large, but it is sufficient to be of distinct aid to the young ladies, one of whom is an The Independent Order of Odd Fel- invalid. Both young ladies reside in lows is founded on fraternity, a princi- Alexandria and are much esteemed in members of our order are kin in the dence of their brilliant father at the certain something, tangible in itself, order which he founded will be forty years old in 1904.

# THE UNIFORM RANK.

Maj. Gen. George H. Scott has made is great and good in man; to appeal the following ruling in answer to apis great and good in man; to appeal the following ruling in answer to apto our better nature; to perpetuate in pication for such, as regards the status us those principles which all hold most of divisions equipped with fatigue dress sacred. Fraternity, therefore, is the first, the greatest factor in Odd Fellowskie, around which center all its lowship, around which center all its teachings. It naturally leads man to consider the teachings of the great auwhich he should strive. Fraternity also on same footing." This action is simi-embodies in itself those sublime vir-lar to that of the Uniform Rank tnes, friendship, love, and truth, which Knights of Pythias, and is the only rui-

They are the very essence of the great thigh, and therefore as enduring as eternity. The novitiate is early taught handsome send-off: "Schley Division No.
that when in possession of the mysteries I, organized but a few months ago, is of the order he will be entitled to an making rapid strides toward becoming norable reception in strange cities and a leader. Under Capt. J. Camden Gall mote lands; that the right hand of it is last approaching an excellent state leads us to forget the selfishness the man in whose honor they have a deserving brother, with whom fortune and is hopeful of having them instituted

# ANOTHER BID FROM 'FRISCO.

San Francisco having entertained the campinent we step upon a broader plai-form and receive instruction which is the Pythians of America, and having Kuights Templars to their next triennia; conclave, are out for other honors. Frisco has now begun a determined campaign to secure the national encampment, G. A. R., for 1993 in that city. The city counts confidently upon the memories of the glorious entertain lodges is furnished by Grand Secretary ment given the national encampment there in 1886 to fill all Washington dels Central Lodge No. 1, William R. Hunt, gates with a desire to revisit the Golden 1165 Four-and-a-half Street southwest. Gate. The committee appointed to press Washington Lodge No. 6, James the claims of San Francisco is header by Maj. Gen. William R. Shafter, the victor of Santiago, His associates are W. G. Hawley, department commander T. C. Masteller, assistant adjutant general; J. H. Stuntz, S. L. Richards Columbia Lodge No. 19, H. V. Bisbee,
113 G Street northwest.
Union Lodge No. 11, Richard Emmons,
1019 G Street southeast.
Friendship Lodge No. 12, E. T. Petmittee of which he is the leader has insued an urgent appeal for the selec-tion of San Francisco as the next meeting place of the national encamp-It reads:

"Dear Sir and Comrade: The under- Maynard, Kimball. signed delegates from the Department of California and Nevada to the thirty-sixth national encampment, at Wash-

Langdon, D. C.
Amity Lodge No. 27, A. C. Ene, Anato travel long distances; and

JUSTUS H. RATHBONE,

Founder of the Knights of Pythias.

Mitchell: assistant quartermaster gen- tional Hive 1, 90; Mount Vernon Hive 2,

THE FRATERNITY CONGRESS.

Aberdeen; J. B. Geddis, Huron; C. J.

The following delegates have been

elected to the national convention of the

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n few days.

Baltimore Tent 1 has passed the cen-tury mark; it now has 109 members. The goal is 150, scon. It gave its annual excursion to Tolchester Beach, July 23. Reviews during August and September will be held on the second and fourth

### MACCABEE NOTES.

State Commander L. K. Mangum, of Maryland, spent several days in the city

D. W. Gall, State commander for this jurisdiction, has issued a circular in the especial interest of Arlington Tent, No. 10, located in the southeast section of the city.

Golden Rule Tent, No. 3, held its first meeting in the new hall on Ninth Street on Thursday night last. When the decorations are completed this will be the handsomest Maccabee hall in the

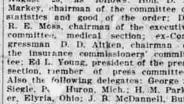
city.

The results of the work in this city for July, 1902, is about three times as great as July, 1901. King David Tent, No. 11, closed its first ninety days on Monday night with

forty members. The members of National Tent, No 1, have made up their minds that Commander O. W. Hammond means business, and that with a strong pull the membership of the tent can be raised to 1,000. The members will all get to work with "might and main" to retain their place as the largest tent in the District of Columbia. The members of National Tent, No

District of Columbia.

King David Tent is presided over by
Sir Knight Morris B. Korman, who is
also noble grand of Eastern Lodge of Old Fellows. He is a good presiding officer and his young tent will prosper under his administration as it has never Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, sustains



E. Blaney, Pittsburg, Pa.: R. B. Ander-son, St. Louis, Mo., and Dr. L. E. Sis-No braver str



LUCETTA S. S. RATHBONE.

when we meet you there next October We want the thirty-seventh mational encanginant to be hold here as peal and the building up the least and of Past Sachem D. J. Marting this cardy, so you may have a titude that the least sheet of the word of the least the lowest round-trip rulliroad fare probably \$73\$ from Boat 19 yet offered—a choice of tax, perhaps three, rules—a California well and some any other tent in seeding the commander as a substant of the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the commander as a substant of the search meaning the search of the s

the form for a support. There were two the form for a support there were two the boys in the family, but hardly old Cincinnati convention has been far beerough to be of much service. One night after the lodge had adjourned, an was agreed that every member of the lodge who was present and could, would assemble the next day at the sick brother's farm and make a brotherly effort to many of the clergy have felt that they mules were assembled on his premises. They went bravely to work and spent the greater part of two days in breakng up the ground and planting the crop, which did well, and the brother and his amily were made happy and comfort-

We took occasion to inquire who these nineteen brothers were; that is, if they were men accustomed to doing such work. The reply came that some of them were farmers, but mixed with them were merchants, some who had not plowed for twenty years, clerks in ing professional men This was frateralty. This was one of the good deeds that constitute the treasures of heaven. It was Odd Fel lowship of the highest type."

# GRAND COMMITTEES.

The following is a list of the committecs of the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. Credentials E. W. Bradford, R. R. Cook, Joseph Burroughs. Returns-W. H. McNell, James Hughes.

Finance-J. T. Petty, T. W. Fowler, Appeals-W. W. Millan, J. H. Crew. Rnights. H. C. Hazard.

Supervision-William P. Allan, J. B. Ward, J. G. Durfey Printing-John H. Nalley, W. H. Nash, W. G. Elliott. State of the Order-F. A. Stier, George

eral, O. D. Stearns, Mitchell, council of 102; Columbin Hive 2, 126; Brookland administration; A. B. Nelson, Pierre; Thomas Reed, Arlington; M. P. Stroupe, 76. Colison, John H. Wood. By-Laws—Theodore Mead, Abel Bennett, H. G. Wilson. Rebekah Lodges—J. I. Brown, Samuel Howison, Joseph L. Irwin.

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Burroughs, 515 Seventh Street southeast.
Salem Lodge No. 22, J. K. Davison, 52
Salem Lodge No. 25, T. H. Collins,
Langdon Lodge No. 25, T. H. Collins,
Langdon Lodge No. 27, A. C. Eno, Anssotia, D. C.
Phoenix Lodge No. 27, A. C. Eno, Anssotia, D. C.
Phoenix Lodge No. 28, William E.
Traves, 492 Maine Avenue southwest.
Naomi (Robekah) Lodge No. 1, Miss

India national encampment, at Wash
ington, respectfully and fraternally call your attention to the Corps.
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in the Denver meeting of the congress, humane society, organized to interpret Europe.

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met with marked favor. This conven-tion will result in clearing up all mis-

should not actively forward the matter at the Chicago convention.

'In the matter of the best method of perfecting permanent organization, all perseverance Lodge last night ininterested in the success of the movement can feel assured that the united
judgment of the convention will select
the method mest practical and acceptable 's al!

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"Let none stand idly afar off hoping he convention will do what is best tather let all take part and assist in loing what is wisest and best. Tothe convention will do what is best. Rather let all take part and assist in

The Knights of Columbus reunion at Atlantic City this week has thus far proven a great success. The special rates of \$5.25, good for ten days, over any train of the Baltimore and Ohio road, are available for families of the Knights. This is a round trip rate.

excursion to Chesapeake Beach. lished a council in Augusta, Ga., and the the highest kind. They are already projecting for a first-class hall of their own and will be pretty sure of accomown and will be pretty sure of the New Cen-plishing their purpose. The New Cen-exhibit.

# SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

At a meeting of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Union, G. P. O., held last Wednes-Gay night, President Charles M. Robin-ing comprised of lumbermen and newsinsurance rate and the period of protection.

The Supreme Tent, K. O. T. M., will have twelve accredited representatives in the Denver meeting of the congress, humans society, organized to interpret son was presented with a fine Grand

No braver struggle for liberty, jus- The address to the Elka will be de-THE RED MEN.

THE RED MEN.

An indisputable evidence of the fact that Sioux Tribe. No. 18, Improved Order of Red Men, is rapidly coming to the front is the number added to ts membership at every meeting, and the more dispersions in defending the rights of the prevailing harmony and enthusiasm. The last regular meeting Monday night was

No braver struggle for liberty, justice, and the rights of man was ever waged than by those Maccabees of old. For thirty years they stood out against their oppressors, then sacrificed life and wealth for liberty and righteous. In the afternoon there will be a grand parade of the military, civic and fraternal so-deleties, under the management of Major General Young, as grand marshal. At eight there occurs the open hand content to the propose and earnest in spreading abroad provided in the principles of fraternity and liberty. May your camps multiply in number, with Dan. C. Loftus

as chief marshal, and the herds will march for several prizes, one of \$1,000, one of \$500, two of \$250, and one of \$100, and at night a grand concert will be given in the Tabernacle, in which a chorus of 500 voices will be a special feature.
On Thursday morning the members

will enjoy an excursion to Ogden and Weber Canyon, and in the afternoon will participate in a drill contest for prizes

of \$500 and \$250.

An opportunity of seeing some of the great mines of Utah will be afforded on Friday, by an excursion to Pack City

The "National Elks' Horn" for July is a fine number, giving many facts and extensive information concerning the approaching session of the Grand Lodge B. P. O. E., at Salt Lake. The Elks' Horn' favors Haltimers for the "Elks' Horn" favors Baltimore for the 1903 convention, and pays our neighbor city the following gorgeous tribute:

Baltimore is famed the wide world over for such epicurean delights as are afforded by the toothsome diamond back terrapin, a dish over which old Jove would have smacked his lips with de-lighted gusto, the luscious systems and melting soft shell crabs, the delicious fish and clams, and other marine delicacies of the Chesapeake and its tribu-taries which will tempt the boys to eat until they are too full for utterance, and be always fondly, regretfully, longingly

eries and distilleries which transform golden grain into bottled sunshine, which with the other good gifts of God to man the Elks believe in using with-

"One year ago about this time a member of this lodge, a farmer living in this neighborhood, was taken sick and was bedridden about ten weeks. The lodge paid his sick benefits regularly, but as time went by it became evident that he would not be able to plant his crop. Not a furrow had been made on his farm. His wife and nine children were wholly dependent upon the products of the form for a support. There were two petent hands, Mrs. Gen. R. D. Mussey The progress of federation since the citizens' committee has apportioned on the convention has been far be when the convention has been far be with the convention has been far be with the convention of the convention of the subcommittees to get to the convention of the subcommittees to get to inisht after the lodge had adjourned, an insunderstanding and indifference beinformal consultation of the members cause of lack of correct information has been dead the conclusion reached that unless something was done in the movement has come to be known and or planting, no crop would be and its real objects understood, it has so planned her work that none of it eay of planting, no crop would be and its real objects understood, it has so planned her work that none of it mised on the sick brother's farm. It met with marked favor. This conven- will fall too heavily on any one organ-

# GOOD TEMPLAR NOTES.

of organization. This is a mistake.

None more than the clergy should be interested in the success of federation. While not officeholders, they should be written by the control of the co Wilson, F. S.; Mrs. M. E. Wilson, T.; Miss Nellie Pollock, C.; Miss Nellie represented on the advistory boards. No one so effectively as they can secure the magnificent representation desired Smith, M.; Miss Jeanette King, D. M.; H. C. Smith, G., and Wilbur McDaniel, sentinel.

gether is the watchword of the times. cers: Jesse Varcoe, chief templar, Mrs. We must hearken to it or be left behind in the advancement which bids us Canilla Stewart, secretary: George C. gether' is the watchword of the times. We must hearken to it or be left behind in the advancement which bids us keep abreast and at the front in the rapid march of the great events of our day."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Cers: Jesse Varcoe, chief templar; Mrs. Nellie Thompson, vice templar; Miss Camilla Stewart, secretary; George C. Thompson, marshal, Miss Ruth Thorne, deputy marshal, Miss Mae Mankin, guard; C. S. Garretson, sentinel; Mrs. J. M. Thorne, chapitain; Mrs. M. M. Erwin, organist; Miss Nellie Hawxhurst, assistant organist; George W. Hawxhurst, Fancial secretary. financial secretary: Mrs. J. H. Garretson, treasurer, and Rev. W.

# FOR THE HOO-HOOS.

It is announced that Russell Stanhope, Keane Council contemplates giving an secretary of the commission on foreign relations of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, has received a letter from J. U. Ruffin, United States consul at Asmembership will presently run up to 150 and soon reach 200. Some of the very best men in the city have joined America, applying for space for the Parorder and their enthusiasm is of aguayan exhibit. Mr. Ruffin states that such an interest in a world's fair and that the President of the republic will issue a decree providing for the

The executive committee of the exposition has approved the recommendation to grant building space for the erection on the fair grounds of the House of Hoo-Hoo. The organization of Hoo-Hoo paper men. The building will be typical every room will be finished in a different wood, as an object leason of the archi-tectural utility of wood construction and the art of interior finish.